

ON THE PRICE OF RISK UNDER A REGIME SWITCHING CGMY PROCESS

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ABSTRACT. In this paper, we study option pricing under a regime-switching exponential Lévy model. Assuming that the coefficients are time-dependent and modulated by a finite state Markov chain, we generalise the work in [20, 22], that is, we use a pricing method based on the Esscher transform conditional on the information available on the Markov chain. We also carry out numerical analysis, to show the impact of the risk induced by the underlying Markov chain on the price of the option.

1. INTRODUCTION

Empirical studies have suggested the need for modern financial modelling to move from the standard log-normal dynamics of the Black-Scholes model framework. This is primarily because in their works, the authors in [2, 17] assume that the price dynamic of the underlying risky asset are governed by geometric Brownian motion, an assumption which many researchers have challenged. There is evidence that the risky assets experience stochastic volatility overtime and therefore the assumption of constant volatility creates biases when an option is priced using the Black-Scholes model. Several models have been developed to provide more realistic ways to model empirical behaviour of option prices. Among them, we can list: the jump-diffusion models, the stochastic volatility and the regime switching models. In the latter case, economic cycles are described by a discrete, finite state Markov chain; See for example [12, 13] for more details. The states of the underlying Markov chain represent the different states of the economy and such model enable to incorporate the impact of changes in macro-economic conditions on the behaviour of the dynamics of the assets' prices.

The possibility of switching across induces an important source of risk that investors might want to hedge against. As pointed out in [8], in a regime switching Black-Scholes model, there exist at least two sources of risk that the investor needs to consider: the diffusion risk which can be considered as the market or financial risk and regime switching risk which can be thought as economic risk. In addition, when the underlying is driven by a Lévy process, one needs to consider the risk due to multiple jumps coming from Poisson random measures. There has been many works on option pricing under regime switching model, most of them assuming that the risk due to switching of regimes is zero. In [7, 20, 22], the importance of

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pricing the regime risk is shown, in the sense that, the authors show the impact of the change in the regime on the option prices, hence addressing the problem of pricing the risk associated to the regime. The work regime switching Black-Scholes model is discussed in [7, 22] whereas [20] is an extension to the regime-switching Variance-Gamma model. See also the work [21] where the author studies the price of the regime risk induced by the jumps in volatility.

One of the main characteristics of the regime-switching model is that they generate incomplete market and hence a family of Equivalent Martingales Measure (EMM). The first task is to determine an equivalent martingale measure which will enable to price the different risks efficiently. One may think of the martingale measure that minimises the “distance” between the set of equivalent martingale measures and the real world probability measure. One of such distances is given by the relative entropy and the associated minimiser is the *minimal entropy martingale measure* (MEMM). In this work, we will use the regime switching Esscher transform which was already used in [22] (see also [20]). The Esscher transform is taken conditional on the information available on the Markov chain. The result by [19] can be used to justify the choice of our pricing result by the minimal entropy martingale measure. It is also worth mentioning that the work [11] introduces Esscher transform in actuarial science as the pricing measure for option valuation and justify this choice by maximizing the expected utility of power type of an investor. For other works on minimal entropy martingale measure, the reader may consult [1, 9, 10, 18].

In this paper, we extend the works [20, 22], that is, we assume that the dynamic of the underlying risky asset is governed by a regime switching Carr, Geman, Madan and Yor (CGMY) process. We first study the option price under a general regime switching exponential Lévy model. In this model, the parameters of the assets are assumed to be deterministic, time dependent and are modulated by an observable continuous time, finite state Markov chain. For example, one may interpret the time dependent interest rate as corresponding to the relative frequent announcements or industry involving reasonably small shifts in the interest rates (see for example [16]). One may also interpret the observable states of the chain as different stages of the business cycle, for instance if the states of the Markov chain are two, they could be interpreted as expansion and recession periods. As in [20, 22], we introduce a pricing model to price the diffusion risk (for the time dependent regime switching Black-Scholes model), the risk due to jumps and the regime-switching risk. To achieve this, we first adopt the regime switching Esscher transform in order to determine a set of equivalent martingale measures satisfying the martingale condition. The selection of the Esscher transform martingale measure is done by minimizing the maximum entropy between an equivalent martingale measure and the real world probability measure over the different states of the economy (compare with [20, 22]).

We conduct numerical experiments to show the impact of the risk induced by the underlying Markov chain on the price of the option. This implies that in pricing options, a probable error can be made when we chose to ignore the risk associated with the switching of regimes. Our results extend those in [20, 22] to incorporate the time dependency of the parameters and to the CGMY model. Another interesting observation in our model is the following: During the lifetime of the option, its price is higher when the regime risk is priced than when it is not, which is higher than the option price when there is no regime.

The remaining of the paper is organized as follows: In Section 2, we describe the model and study the different pricing kernels and their associated martingale condition. These conditions are explicitly given is the case of regime switching Black-Scholes model, Variance-Gamma and CGMY model. Section 3 is devoted to numerical experiments to illustrate the effect of pricing

the regime switching risk are conducted and we find a significant difference between pricing the risk and not.

2. THE MODEL

In this section, we present a general regime switching exponential Lévy model. The model is that of [20]. Let $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{P})$ be a complete probability space, where \mathbb{P} is the reference measure. The evolution of the states of the economy is modelled by an irreducible homogeneous continuous time Markov chain $X := \{X(t); t \in [0, T]\}$ with a finite state space $\mathcal{X} = \{\mathbf{e}_1, \mathbf{e}_2, \dots, \mathbf{e}_N\} \in \mathbb{R}^N$, where $N \in \mathbb{N}$, and the j th component of \mathbf{e}_n is the Kronecker delta δ_{nj} for each $n, j = 1, \dots, N$. Denote by $\mathbf{A} := [a_{ij}]_{i,j=1,2,\dots,N}$ the intensity matrix of the Markov chain under \mathbb{P} . Then for each $i, j = 1, 2, \dots, N$ with $i \neq j$, a_{ij} is the transition intensity of the chain X jumping from state \mathbf{e}_j to state \mathbf{e}_i at time $t \in [0, T]$. Hence, for $i \neq j$, $a_{ij} \geq 0$ and $\sum_{j=1}^N a_{ij} = 0$ i.e., $\lambda_{ii} \leq 0$. With the canonical representation of the state space of the Markov chain, the following semimartingale decomposition for the Markov chain X was given in [4]:

$$X(t) = X(0) + \int_0^t A(s)X(s) ds + M(t), \quad t \in [0, T]. \quad (2.1)$$

where $\{M(t); t \in [0, T]\}$ is an \mathbb{R}^N -valued martingale under the measure \mathbb{P} with respect to the filtration generated by X .

We consider a financial market with two primary securities, namely, a riskless asset B and a risky stock S , which are traded continuously over the time horizon $[0, T]$. We model the evolution of the instantaneous interest rate $r = \{r(t); t \in [0, T]\}$ of the money market account B at time t as follows.

$$r(t) = r(t, X(t)) = \langle \mathbf{r}, X(t) \rangle = \sum_{i=1}^N r_i(t) \langle \mathbf{e}_i, X(t) \rangle, \quad (2.2)$$

where $\mathbf{r} := (r_1(t), r_2(t), \dots, r_N(t))' \in \mathbb{R}^N$ for each $i = 1, 2, \dots, N$ and $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$ denotes the inner product in \mathbb{R}^N . The i -th component $r_i(t)$ of the vector \mathbf{r} is a deterministic function, representing the value of the interest rate when the Markov chain is in state \mathbf{e}_i that is when $X(t) = \mathbf{e}_i$. The dynamics of $\{B(t); t \in [0, T]\}$ of the money market account B are given by

$$dB(t) = r(t)B(t) dt, \quad B(0) = 1. \quad (2.3)$$

Denote by $\{\mu(t); t \in [0, T]\}$ and $\{\sigma(t); t \in [0, T]\}$ the appreciation rate and the volatility of the stock S at the time t respectively. Using similar convention, we set

$$\mu(t) = \mu(t, X(t)) := \langle \boldsymbol{\mu}, X(t) \rangle = \sum_{i=1}^N \mu_i(t) \langle \mathbf{e}_i, X(t) \rangle, \quad (2.4)$$

$$\sigma(t) = \sigma(t, X(t)) := \langle \boldsymbol{\sigma}, X(t) \rangle = \sum_{i=1}^N \sigma_i(t) \langle \mathbf{e}_i, X(t) \rangle, \quad (2.5)$$

where $\boldsymbol{\mu} = (\mu_1(t), \mu_2(t), \dots, \mu_N(t))' \in \mathbb{R}^N$ and $\boldsymbol{\sigma} = (\sigma_1(t), \sigma_2(t), \dots, \sigma_N(t))' \in \mathbb{R}_+^N$. $\mu_i(t)$ and $\sigma_i(t)$, $i = 1, 2, \dots, N$ are deterministic functions representing respectively the appreciation rate and volatility of S when the Markov chain is in state \mathbf{e}_i . The price dynamics

103 of the stock S is given by the following stochastic differential equation,

$$dS(t) = S(t^-) \left(\mu(t) dt + \sigma(t) dW(t) + \int_{\mathbb{R}_0} (e^z - 1) \tilde{N}^X(dt; dz) \right), \quad S(0) > 0, \quad (2.6)$$

104 where $\mathbb{R}_0 = \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}$, $W = \{W(t); t \in [0, T]\}$ is a Brownian motion and $\tilde{N}^X(dt, dz) :=$
 105 $N(dz, dt) - \rho^X(dz) dt$ is an independent compensated Markov regime-switching Poisson ran-
 106 dom measure with $\rho^X(dz) dt$, the compensator (or dual predictable projection) of N , defined
 107 by:

$$\rho^X(dz) dt := \sum_{j=1}^D \langle X(t-), e_j \rangle \rho_j(dz) dt. \quad (2.7)$$

108 For each $j \in \{1, 2, \dots, D\}$, $\rho_j(dz)$ is the conditional density of the jump size when the Markov
 109 chain X is in state e_j and satisfies $\int_{\mathbb{R}_0} \min(1, z^2) \rho_j(dz) < \infty$ and $\int_{|z| \geq 1} (e^z - 1)^2 \rho_i(z) dz < \infty$.

The dynamic of the stock S can also be written as

$$S(t) = S(0) e^{Y(t)},$$

110 where $Y(t)$ is given by:

$$\begin{aligned} Y(t) = & Y(0) + \int_0^t \left(\mu(s) - \frac{1}{2} \sigma^2(s) - \int_{\mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}} (e^z - 1 - z) \rho^X(dz) \right) ds \\ & + \int_0^t \sigma(s) dW(s) + \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}} z \tilde{N}(ds, dz). \end{aligned} \quad (2.8)$$

111 The model defined by (2.1)-(2.6) is referred to as a general regime switching exponential
 112 Lévy model. Such model leads to incomplete markets i.e., there exists more than one equiv-
 113 alent martingale measures (EMM) describing the risk-neutral price dynamic and compatible
 114 with the no arbitrage requirement. In order to price contingent claim, we shall determine
 115 EMM using regime switching Esscher transform introduced in [5, 22]. In fact, the classical
 116 definition of Esscher transform based on the moment generating function of a random vari-
 117 able is replaced by a conditional Esscher transform where the moment generating function
 118 is conditional to a subset of information available on the Markov chain. This leads to two
 119 different pricing kernels based on the conditional Esscher transform.

120 **2.1. Pricing Kernel I.** In this section, we construct a risk neutral measure assuming that
 121 the whole path of the underlying Markov chain is known. This Esscher change of measure
 122 produces a pricing kernel that does not take into account the risk associated with the Markov
 123 chain.

124 We shall first specify the information structure of our model. Let $F^X := \{\mathcal{F}_t^X; t \in [0, T]\}$
 125 and $F^S := \{\mathcal{F}_t^S; t \in [0, T]\}$ denote the \mathbb{P} -augmentation of natural filtrations generated by
 126 $\{X(t); t \in [0, T]\}$ and $\{S(t); t \in [0, T]\}$ respectively. That is, for each $t \in [0, T]$, \mathcal{F}_t^X and \mathcal{F}_t^S
 127 are, respectively, the σ -fields generated by the histories of the chain X and the stock price S
 128 up to and including time t . We define for $t \in [0, T]$, \mathcal{G}_t to be the σ -algebra $\mathcal{F}_T^X \vee \mathcal{F}_t^S$. This
 129 represents the information set generated by both histories of X and S up to and including

130 the time t . We write $\mathbf{G} := \{\mathcal{G}_t; t \in [0, T]\}$. We set

$$\Theta := \left\{ \theta(t); t \in [0, T] \mid \theta(t) := \sum_{i=1}^N \theta_i(t) \langle X(t^-), \mathbf{e}_i \rangle, \text{ with } (\theta_1(t), \dots, \theta_N(t)) \in \mathbb{R}^N, \right. \\ \left. \text{such that } \theta_i, i = 1, \dots, N \text{ are deterministic and } E^{\mathbb{P}} \left[e^{-\int_0^t \theta(s) dY(s)} \middle| \mathcal{F}_T^X \right] < \infty \right\}. \quad (2.9)$$

131 For $\theta := \{\theta(t); t \in [0, T]\} \in \Theta$, define the generalized Laplace transform of a \mathbf{G} -adapted
132 process Y by

$$M_Y(\theta) := E^{\mathbb{P}} \left[e^{-\int_0^t \theta(s) dY(s)} \middle| \mathcal{F}_T^X \right]. \quad (2.10)$$

133 We define the kernel of a generalized Esscher transform with respect to the parameter θ . Let
134 $\Lambda^\theta := \{\Lambda^\theta(t); t \in [0, T]\}$ denote a \mathbf{G} -adapted stochastic process defined as

$$\Lambda^\theta(t) = \frac{\exp \left(-\int_0^t \theta(s) dY(s) \right)}{M_Y(\theta)}, \quad t \in [0, T], \quad \theta \in \Theta. \quad (2.11)$$

135 Then, the regime switching Esscher transform $\mathbb{Q} \sim \mathbb{P}$ on \mathbf{G} with respect to a family of
136 parameters $\{\theta(s); s \in [0, t]\}$ is given by:

$$\Lambda^\theta(t) = \frac{d\mathbb{Q}}{d\mathbb{P}} \bigg|_{\mathcal{G}_t} = \frac{\exp \left(-\int_0^t \theta(s) dY(s) \right)}{E^{\mathbb{P}} \left[\exp \left(-\int_0^t \theta(s) dY(s) \right) \middle| \mathcal{F}_T^X \right]}, \quad t \in [0, T], \quad \theta \in \Theta. \quad (2.12)$$

137 Hence, as shown in [5], one has

$$\Lambda^\theta(t) = \exp \left(-\int_0^t \theta(s) \sigma(s) dW(s) - \frac{1}{2} \int_0^t (\theta(s))^2 (\sigma(s))^2 ds \right. \\ \left. - \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{R}_0} \theta(s^-) z \tilde{N}^X(ds, dz) - \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{R}_0} (e^{-z\theta(s)} - 1 + \theta(s)z) \rho^X(dz) ds \right). \quad (2.13)$$

138 For each $\theta \in \Theta$, Λ^θ is a density process (see [20, 22]), therefore a new equivalent probability
139 measure can be defined by setting

$$\frac{d\mathbb{Q}^\theta}{d\mathbb{P}} \bigg|_{\mathcal{G}_t} = \Lambda^\theta(t), \quad t \in [0, T]. \quad (2.14)$$

140 The pricing kernel associated to such measure shall then be defined by choosing θ adequately
141 (see Section 2.3.)

142 **2.2. Pricing Kernel II.** In this section, we construct a change of measure assuming that the
143 initial state of the underlying Markov chain is known. This assumption seems more realistic
144 since an investor can only observe the current and past information about the macro-economic
145 condition and then anticipate future evolution of the macro-economic conditions. The expecta-
146 tion in the denominator of the regime switching Esscher transform is unconditional implying
147 that the risk due to the switching regimes is priced.

148 We introduce a new filtration, namely $\mathbb{G} := \{\bar{\mathcal{G}}_t = \mathcal{F}_t^X \vee \mathcal{F}_t^S; t \in [0, T]\}$ which denotes the
 149 right continuous, \mathbb{P} -complete filtration generated by the bivariate process (X, S) . Set

$$\begin{aligned} \Theta^* := \left\{ \theta^*(t); t \in [0, T] \mid \theta^*(t) := \sum_{i=1}^N \theta_i^*(t) \langle X(t^-), \mathbf{e}_i \rangle, \text{ with} \right. \\ \left. (\theta_1^*(t), \dots, \theta_N^*(t)) \in \mathbb{R}^N, \text{ such that } E^{\mathbb{P}} \left[e^{-\int_0^T \theta^*(s) dY(s)} \middle| X(0) \right] < \infty \right\} \end{aligned} \quad (2.15)$$

150 and define the generalized Laplace transform of a \mathbb{G} -adapted process Y as

$$M_Y(\theta^*) := E^{\mathbb{P}} \left[e^{-\int_0^T \theta(s) dY(s)} \middle| X(0) \right]. \quad (2.16)$$

151 As in [20, 22], define the new kernel $\Lambda^{\theta^*} = \{\Lambda^{\theta^*}(t); t \in [0, T]\}$ as follows

$$\begin{cases} \Lambda^{\theta^*}(0) := 1 \\ \Lambda^{\theta^*}(t) := E[\Lambda^{\theta^*}(T) | \bar{\mathcal{G}}_t] = E^{\mathbb{P}} \left[\frac{e^{-\int_0^T \theta^*(s) dY(s)}}{E^{\mathbb{P}}[e^{-\int_0^T \theta^*(s) dY(s)} | X(0)]} \middle| \bar{\mathcal{G}}_t \right], \quad t \in (0, T]; \theta^* \in \Theta^*. \end{cases} \quad (2.17)$$

Then $\{\Lambda^{\theta^*}(t); t \in [0, T]\}$ is a positive (\mathbb{G}, \mathbb{P}) -martingale satisfying

$$E^{\mathbb{P}}[\Lambda^{\theta^*}] = 1, \quad \forall t \in [0, T].$$

152 As for the first kernel, one can define a family of equivalent measures \mathbb{Q}_{θ^*} through

$$\frac{d\mathbb{Q}_{\theta^*}}{d\mathbb{P}} \middle| \bar{\mathcal{G}}_t = \Lambda^{\theta^*}(t), \quad t \in [0, T]. \quad (2.18)$$

153 and derive a pricing kernel by adequately choosing θ^* (see Section 2.3.)

154 The pricing kernel (2.14) and (2.18) and The knowledge of the whole path of the Markov
 155 chain implies that there is no need for additional premium whereas the knowledge of only the
 156 initial state of the Markov chain forces the need of additional premium that will take into
 157 account the risk associated to the changes in the regime.

158 **2.3. Martingale condition.** Denote by $\{S^*(t) := \frac{S(t)}{B(t)}; t \in [0, T]\}$ the discounted price
 159 process. Therefore, by the fundamental theorem of asset pricing (see [14, 15]), the no-arbitrage
 160 price of any contingent claim written on S in this market is given by

$$E^{\mathbb{Q}}[S^*(t) | \mathcal{G}_0] = S^*(0), \quad (2.19)$$

161 with $\mathbb{Q} \in \{\mathbb{Q}^{\theta}, \mathbb{Q}_{\theta^*}\}$. Eq. (2.19) implicitly gives the condition on the process θ and θ^* that
 162 determine an EMM within the families $\{\mathbb{Q}^{\theta} : \theta \in \Theta\}$ and $\{\mathbb{Q}_{\theta^*} : \theta^* \in \Theta^*\}$.

163 The following theorem gives necessary and sufficient conditions for \mathbb{Q}^{θ} to be an EMM.

164 **Theorem 2.1.** *Consider the Lévy regime-switching market defined in (2.3) and (2.6). An*
 165 *equivalent probability measure \mathbb{Q}^{θ} defined through (2.14) is an equivalent martingale measure*
 166 *on (Ω, \mathcal{G}_T) , i.e., it satisfies the condition (2.19), if and only if θ satisfies the following equation*
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$$\mu_i(t) - r_i(t) - \theta_i(t) \sigma_i^2(t) + \int_{\mathbb{R}} (e^z - 1)(e^{-z\theta_i(t)} - 1) \rho_i(z) dz = 0, \quad t\text{-a.e.}, \quad \forall t \in [0, T] \quad (2.20)$$

168 for $i = 1, \dots, N$.

169 *Proof.* It easily follows using the martingale condition under the enlarged filtration

170 $\mathbf{G} = \{\mathcal{G}_t; 0 \leq t \leq T\}$ and Bayes rules. □

Next, we shall discuss the necessary and sufficient condition for \mathbb{Q}_{θ^*} to be an equivalent martingale on (Ω, \mathcal{G}_T) . We begin by presenting, without proof, a lemma which gives an explicit form of the moment generating function of the Markov chain in terms of the occupation times.

Lemma 2.2. *Consider an irreducible homogeneous continuous-time Markov chain $X := \{X(t); t \in [0, T]\}$ on $(\Omega, \mathcal{G}_T, \mathbb{G}, \mathbb{P})$ with a finite state space \mathcal{X} of size $N \in \mathbb{N}$ and with an intensity matrix $\mathbf{A} := \{a_{ij} : 1 \leq i, j \leq N\}$. Let*

$$\mathbf{J}(u, v) := (J_1(u, v), J_2(u, v), \dots, J_N(u, v)) \quad (2.21)$$

denote the vector of the occupation times of X during a period of time $[u, v] \subset [0, T]$. We have

$$J_k(u, v) = \int_u^v \langle X(s), \mathbf{e}_k \rangle ds.$$

The conditional moment generating function of $\mathbf{J}(u, v)$ is given by

$$E^{\mathbb{P}}[e^{\sum_{k=1}^N \int_u^t \zeta_k(v) dJ_k(u, v)} | \mathcal{G}_u] = \langle e^{\int_u^t (\mathbf{A} + \text{Diag}(\underline{\zeta}_k(r))) dr} X(u), \mathbf{1} \rangle, \quad \underline{\zeta} \in \mathbb{R}^N, \quad (2.22)$$

where $\mathbf{1} = (1, 1, \dots, 1)' \in \mathbb{R}^N$, $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$ is the scalar product in \mathbb{R}^N and $\text{Diag}(\underline{\zeta})$ is an $N \times N$ diagonal matrix of the form

$$\text{Diag}(\underline{\zeta}) = \begin{pmatrix} \zeta_1 & 0 & \dots & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \zeta_2 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & \zeta_{N-1} & 0 \\ 0 & \dots & 0 & 0 & \zeta_N \end{pmatrix}.$$

Proof. Follows in the same way as in the proof of [6, Proposition 2] □

We can now state the necessary and sufficient condition for \mathbb{Q}_{θ^*} to be an equivalent martingale measure on (Ω, \mathcal{G}_T) . This result is adapted from Siu and Yang [22].

Theorem 2.3. *Consider the Lévy regime-switching market defined in (2.3) and (2.6). An equivalent measure \mathbb{Q}_{θ^*} defined through (2.18) is an equivalent martingale measure on (Ω, \mathcal{G}_T) , i.e., condition (2.19) holds if and only if θ^* satisfies the following equation*

$$\left\langle e^{\int_0^t (\mathbf{A} + \text{Diag}(\underline{\xi}(\theta^*(r))) dr} X(0), \mathbf{1} \right\rangle - \left\langle e^{\int_0^t (\mathbf{A} + \text{Diag}(\underline{\xi}(\theta^*(r))) dr} X(0), \mathbf{1} \right\rangle = 0, \quad (2.23)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \underline{\xi}(\theta^*) &= (\xi_1(\theta_1^*(t)), \xi_2(\theta_2^*(t)), \dots, \xi_N(\theta_N^*(t))), \\ \underline{\tilde{\xi}}(\theta^*) &= (\tilde{\xi}_1(\theta_1^*(t)), \tilde{\xi}_2(\theta_2^*(t)), \dots, \tilde{\xi}_N(\theta_N^*(t))), \end{aligned}$$

with

$$\begin{aligned} \xi_i(\theta_i^*(t)) &= -\theta_i^*(t)(\mu_i(t) - \frac{1}{2}\sigma_i^2(t)) + \frac{1}{2}(\theta_i^*(t))^2\sigma_i^2(t) \\ &\quad + \int_{\mathbb{R}} (e^{-z\theta_i^*(t)} - 1 + \theta_i^*(t)(e^z - 1))\rho_i(z) dz, \quad t\text{-a.e.}, \end{aligned} \quad (2.24)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\xi}_i(\theta_i^*(t)) &= -r_i(t) - (\theta_i^*(t) - 1)(\mu_i(t) - \frac{1}{2}\sigma_i^2(t)) + \frac{1}{2}(\theta_i^*(t) - 1)^2\sigma_i^2(t) \\ &\quad + \int_{\mathbb{R}} (e^{-z(\theta_i^*(t)-1)} - 1 + (\theta_i^*(t) - 1)(e^z - 1))\rho_i(z) dz, \quad t\text{-a.e.} \end{aligned} \quad (2.25)$$

190 for $i = 1, 2, \dots, N$.

191 In order to prove this theorem, we will need the following lemma, which is a extension of
 192 As in [20, Lemma4.2] and [22, Lemma 3.1].

193 **Lemma 2.4.** *Under Assumptions of Theorem 2.3, for all $u, v \in [0, T]$ such that $u \leq v$, we*
 194 *have that*

$$E^{\mathbb{Q}_{\theta^*}}[S^*(v)|\mathcal{G}_u] = \frac{\left\langle e^{\int_u^v (A + \text{Diag}(\tilde{\xi}(\theta^*(r)))) \, dr} X(u), \underline{1} \right\rangle}{\left\langle e^{\int_u^v (A + \text{Diag}(\xi(\theta^*(r)))) \, dr} X(u), \underline{1} \right\rangle} S^*(u), \quad (2.26)$$

195 where $\tilde{\xi}(\theta^*(r))$ and $\xi(\theta^*(r))$ are given in Theorem 2.3.

196 *Proof.* Choose $u, v \in [0, T]$ such that $v \geq u$. Then the discounted stock price is given by
 197 $S^*(v) := S(v)e^{-\int_u^v r(s) \, ds}$. using this and a version of the Bayes's rule, we get

$$\begin{aligned} E^{\mathbb{Q}_{\theta^*}}[S^*(v)|\mathcal{G}_u] &= S^*(u) E^{\mathbb{Q}_{\theta^*}} \left[e^{-\int_u^v r(s) \, ds} e^{\int_u^v dY(s)} \middle| \mathcal{G}_u \right] \\ &= S^*(u) \frac{E^{\mathbb{P}} \left[e^{-\int_u^v r(s) \, ds} e^{\int_u^v dY(s)} \Lambda^{\theta^*}(v) \middle| \mathcal{G}_u \right]}{E^{\mathbb{P}}[\Lambda^{\theta^*}(v)|\mathcal{G}_u]} \\ &= S^*(u) \frac{E^{\mathbb{P}}[e^{-\int_u^v r(s) \, ds} e^{\int_u^v dY(s)} \Lambda^{\theta^*}(v)|\mathcal{G}_u]}{E^{\mathbb{P}}[\Lambda^{\theta^*}(v)|\mathcal{G}_u]} \\ &= S^*(u) \frac{E^{\mathbb{P}} \left[e^{-\int_u^v r(s) \, ds} e^{-\int_u^v (\theta^*(s)-1) \, dY(s)} E^{\mathbb{P}} \left[e^{-\int_v^T \theta^*(s) \, dY(s)} \middle| \mathcal{G}_v \right] \middle| \mathcal{G}_u \right]}{E^{\mathbb{P}} \left[e^{-\int_u^T \theta^*(s) \, dY(s)} \middle| \mathcal{G}_u \right]} \quad (2.27) \end{aligned}$$

198 Using the occupation times as in Lemma 2.2.

$$\begin{aligned} &E^{\mathbb{Q}_{\theta^*}}[S^*(v)|\mathcal{G}_u] \\ &= S^*(u) \frac{E^{\mathbb{P}} \left[\exp \left(\sum_{i=1}^N \int_u^v \tilde{\xi}_i(\theta_i^*(t)) \, dJ_i(u, t) \right) E^{\mathbb{P}} \left[\exp \left(\sum_{i=1}^N \int_v^T \xi_i(\theta_i^*(t)) \, dJ_i(v, t) \right) \middle| \mathcal{G}_v \right] \middle| \mathcal{G}_u \right]}{E^{\mathbb{P}} \left[\exp \left(\sum_{i=1}^N \int_u^v \xi_i(\theta_i^*(t)) \, dJ_i(u, t) \right) E^{\mathbb{P}} \left[\exp \left(\sum_{i=1}^N \int_v^T \xi_i(\theta_i^*(t)) \, dJ_i(v, t) \right) \middle| \mathcal{G}_v \right] \middle| \mathcal{G}_u \right]}. \quad (2.28) \end{aligned}$$

199 Using the following property of homogeneous Markov chains

$$\begin{aligned} Law(J_1(v, T), \dots, J_N(v, T) | \mathcal{G}(v)) &= Law(J_1(v, T), \dots, J_N(v, T) | X(v)) \\ &= Law(J_1(0, T-v), \dots, J_N(0, T-v) | X(0)), \end{aligned}$$

200 (2.28) becomes

$$\begin{aligned} &E^{\mathbb{Q}_{\theta^*}}[S^*(v)|\mathcal{G}_u] \\ &= S^*(u) \frac{E^{\mathbb{P}} \left[\exp \left(\sum_{i=1}^N \int_0^{T-v} \xi_i(\theta_i^*(t)) \, dJ_i(0, t) \right) \middle| X(0) \right] E^{\mathbb{P}} \left[\exp \left(\sum_{i=1}^N \int_u^v \tilde{\xi}_i(\theta_i^*(t)) \, dJ_i(u, t) \right) \middle| \mathcal{G}_u \right]}{E^{\mathbb{P}} \left[\exp \left(\sum_{i=1}^N \int_0^{T-v} \xi_i(\theta_i^*(t)) \, dJ_i(0, t) \right) \middle| X(0) \right] E^{\mathbb{P}} \left[\exp \left(\sum_{i=1}^N \int_u^v \xi_i(\theta_i^*(t)) \, dJ_i(u, t) \right) \middle| \mathcal{G}_u \right]}. \end{aligned}$$

201 This implies

$$E^{\mathbb{Q}_{\theta^*}}[S^*(v)|\mathcal{G}_u] = S^*(u) \frac{E^{\mathbb{P}}\left[\exp\left(\sum_{i=1}^N \int_u^v \tilde{\xi}_i(\theta_i^*(t)) dJ_i(u, t)\right) \middle| \mathcal{G}_u\right]}{E^{\mathbb{P}}\left[\exp\left(\sum_{i=1}^N \int_u^v \xi_i(\theta_i^*(t)) dJ_i(u, t)\right) \middle| \mathcal{G}_u\right]}.$$

202 Hence, using Lemma 2.2, we get

$$E^{\mathbb{Q}_{\theta^*}}[S^*(v)|\mathcal{G}_u] = S^*(u) \frac{\left\langle e^{\int_u^v (\mathbf{A} + \text{Diag}(\tilde{\xi}(\theta^*(r)))) dr} X(u, \underline{\mathbf{1}}) \right\rangle}{\left\langle e^{\int_u^v (\mathbf{A} + \text{Diag}(\xi(\theta^*(r)))) dr} X(u, \underline{\mathbf{1}}) \right\rangle}. \quad (2.29)$$

203

□

204 *Proof of Theorem 2.3.* This follows directly from the previous lemma by setting $v = t$ and
205 $u = 0$ in (2.26). In fact, we have that the martingale condition (2.19) is equivalent to (2.23).
206

□

207 We turn our main focus on the condition for the family $\{\mathbb{Q}_{\theta^*} : \theta^* \in \Theta^*\}$ because through a
208 standard approximation for the matrix exponential in (2.23), we shall deduce the martingale
209 condition for the family $\{\mathbb{Q}^{\theta} : \theta \in \Theta\}$; See [20, 22].

210 **2.4. Approximations.** Here, we analyse the two families of equivalent martingale measures
211 \mathbb{Q}^{θ} and \mathbb{Q}_{θ^*} via certain types of approximations for the martingale condition (2.23). The
212 exponential of a $N \times N$ matrix \mathbf{E} is defined as

$$\exp(\mathbf{E}) := \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{E^n}{n!}, \quad (2.30)$$

213 where $\mathbf{E}^0 = \mathbf{I}$ is the identity matrix and by convention $0! = 1$. Replacing $X(0)$ by \mathbf{e}_i for
214 $i = 1, \dots, N$ in (2.23) yields,

$$\left\langle e^{\int_0^t (\mathbf{A} + \text{Diag}(\tilde{\xi}(\theta^*(r)))) dr} \mathbf{e}_i, \underline{\mathbf{1}} \right\rangle - \left\langle e^{\int_0^t (\mathbf{A} + \text{Diag}(\xi(\theta^*(r)))) dr} \mathbf{e}_i, \underline{\mathbf{1}} \right\rangle = 0. \quad (2.31)$$

215 This is a system of N equations and in practice to solve it, one needs to adopt a finite number
216 of terms in the series' expansion of $\exp(\mathbf{E})$. Using the first-order approximation of $\exp(\mathbf{E})$
217 (i.e., $\exp(\mathbf{E}) \approx \mathbf{I} + \mathbf{E}$) in (2.31), we have

$$\left\langle \left(\mathbf{I} + \int_0^t (\mathbf{A} + \text{Diag}(\tilde{\xi}(\theta^*(r)))) dr \right) \mathbf{e}_i, \underline{\mathbf{1}} \right\rangle - \left\langle \left(\mathbf{I} + \int_0^t (\mathbf{A} + \text{Diag}(\xi(\theta^*(r)))) dr \right) \mathbf{e}_i, \underline{\mathbf{1}} \right\rangle = 0.$$

218 This yields

$$\left(\sum_{k=1, k \neq i}^N ta_{ki} + 1 + a_{ii}t + \int_0^t \tilde{\xi}_i(\theta_i^*(r)) dr \right) - \left(\sum_{k=1, k \neq i}^N ta_{ki} + 1 + a_{ii}t + \int_0^t \xi_i(\theta_i^*(r)) dr \right) = 0,$$

219 i.e.,

$$\int_0^t \tilde{\xi}_i(\theta_i^*(r)) dr - \int_0^t \xi_i(\theta_i^*(r)) dr = 0, \quad \text{for } i = 1, 2, \dots, N,$$

220 which simplifies to

$$\mu_i(t) - r_i(t) - \theta_i(t)\sigma_i^2(t) + \int_{\mathbb{R}} (e^z - 1)(e^{-z\theta_i(t)} - 1)\rho_i(z) dz = 0, \quad t\text{-a.e.}, \quad \forall t \in [0, T]. \quad (2.32)$$

Eq. (2.32) coincides with the martingale condition for the family $\{\mathbb{Q}^\theta : \theta \in \Theta\}$ as given in (2.20). Hence, the martingale condition for the family $\{\mathbb{Q}^\theta : \theta \in \Theta\}$ is a first order approximation of the martingale condition for $\{\mathbb{Q}_{\theta^*} : \theta^* \in \Theta^*\}$. We can think of the pricing kernel Λ^{θ^*} as having more information than the kernel Λ^θ with θ^* been more realistic.

We will now as in [20, 22] derive the martingale condition for \mathbb{Q}_{θ^*} by taking a two-order approximation for the matrix exponential in (2.30). This will enable to move from the less realistic assumption where the whole path of the Markov chain is known to the more realistic one where only the initial state is known. The approximation is given by

$$\exp(\mathbf{E}) \approx \mathbf{I} + \mathbf{E} + \frac{1}{2}\mathbf{E}^2. \quad (2.33)$$

For simplicity, we consider two regimes i.e, $N = 2$ and we set $a_{11} = -a_{12} = -a$ and $a_{21} = -a_{22} = a$; $a \geq 0$ and $t > 0$. In this case, we need to solve the following pair of equations:

$$\left\langle e^{\int_0^t (\mathbf{A} + \text{Diag}(\tilde{\xi}(\theta^*(r)))) dr} \mathbf{e}_1, \underline{\mathbf{1}} \right\rangle - \left\langle e^{\int_0^t (\mathbf{A} + \text{Diag}(\xi(\theta^*(r)))) dr} \mathbf{e}_1, \underline{\mathbf{1}} \right\rangle = 0, \quad (2.34)$$

$$\left\langle e^{\int_0^t (\mathbf{A} + \text{Diag}(\tilde{\xi}(\theta^*(r)))) dr} \mathbf{e}_2, \underline{\mathbf{1}} \right\rangle - \left\langle e^{\int_0^t (\mathbf{A} + \text{Diag}(\xi(\theta^*(r)))) dr} \mathbf{e}_2, \underline{\mathbf{1}} \right\rangle = 0 \quad (2.35)$$

for $\underline{\mathbf{1}} = (1, 1)' \in \mathbb{R}^2$. But

$$E = \int_0^t (\mathbf{A} + \text{Diag}(\tilde{\xi}(\theta^*(r)))) dr, \quad (2.36)$$

or

$$E = \begin{pmatrix} \int_0^t (-a + \tilde{\xi}_1(\theta_1^*(r))) dr & at \\ at & \int_0^t (-a + \tilde{\xi}_2(\theta_2^*(r))) dr \end{pmatrix}. \quad (2.37)$$

Substituting (2.33) in (2.34), the martingale condition (2.23), for $X(0) = \mathbf{e}_1 = (1, 0)'$ becomes

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_0^t (\tilde{\xi}_1(\theta_1^*(r)) - \xi_1(\theta_1^*(r))) dr - at \int_0^t (\tilde{\xi}_1(\theta_1^*(r)) - \xi_1(\theta_1^*(r))) dr \\ & + \frac{1}{2} \left\{ \left[\int_0^t (\tilde{\xi}_1(\theta_1^*(r)) - \xi_1(\theta_1^*(r))) dr \right] \left[\int_0^t (\tilde{\xi}_1(\theta_1^*(r)) + \xi_1(\theta_1^*(r))) dr \right] \right. \\ & \left. + at \int_0^t (\tilde{\xi}_2(\theta_2^*(r)) - \xi_2(\theta_2^*(r))) dr \right\} = 0. \end{aligned} \quad (2.38)$$

Similarly, for $X(0) = \mathbf{e}_2 = (0, 1)$, substituting (2.33) in (2.35), we get

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_0^t (\tilde{\xi}_2(\theta_2^*(r)) - \xi_2(\theta_2^*(r))) dr - at \int_0^t (\tilde{\xi}_2(\theta_2^*(r)) - \xi_2(\theta_2^*(r))) dr \\ & + \frac{1}{2} \left\{ \left[\int_0^t (\tilde{\xi}_2(\theta_2^*(r)) - \xi_2(\theta_2^*(r))) dr \right] \left[\int_0^t (\tilde{\xi}_2(\theta_2^*(r)) + \xi_2(\theta_2^*(r))) dr \right] \right. \\ & \left. + at \int_0^t (\tilde{\xi}_1(\theta_1^*(r)) - \xi_1(\theta_1^*(r))) dr \right\} = 0. \end{aligned} \quad (2.39)$$

Here

$$\tilde{\xi}_i(\theta_i^*(t)) - \xi_i(\theta_i^*(t)) = \mu_i(t) - r_i(t) - \theta_i^*(t)\sigma_i^2(t) + \int_{\mathbb{R}} (e^z - 1)(e^{-z\theta_i^*(t)} - 1)\rho_i(z) dz, \text{ t-a.e } \quad (2.40)$$

236 and

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\xi}_i(\theta_i^*(t)) + \xi_i(\theta_i^*(t)) &= \mu_i(t) - r_i(t) - 2\theta_i^*(t)\mu_i(t) + (\theta_i^*(t))^2\sigma_i^2(t) \\ &+ \int_{\mathbb{R}} (e^{-z(\theta_i^*(t)-1)} + e^{-z\theta_i^*(t)} - 2) + (2\theta_i^*(t) - 1)(e^{-z} - 1)\rho_i(z) dz, \text{ t-a.e.} \end{aligned} \quad (2.41)$$

237 for $i = 1, 2$. (2.38) and (2.39) are more tractable than (2.23) and we shall use them to
238 determine the EMM parameters $(\theta_1^*(t), \theta_2^*(t))$ for the numerical illustrations.

239 **2.5. Particular cases.** In this section, we present the developments made in the previous
240 section for particular models. In the sequel, we take $N = 2$, i.e., the Markov chain X
241 moves only between the two states $\mathbf{e}_1 = (1, 0)^T$ and $\mathbf{e}_2 = (0, 1)^T$. We shall give explicit
242 martingale conditions for regime-switching Black-Scholes, Variance Gamma (VG) and Carr
243 Geman Madan and Yor (CGMY) models when the coefficient are constants. Note that the
244 former cases of regime-switching Black-Scholes and Variance Gamma models were already
245 derived in [22] and [20].

246 **2.5.1. The regime-switching Black-Scholes model.** In this section, we present the regime
247 switching Black-Scholes model. The dynamic of price of the risky asset in this case is given
248 by

$$S(t) = S(0) \exp \left\{ \int_0^t \left(\mu(s) - \frac{1}{2}\sigma^2(s) \right) ds + \int_0^t \sigma(s) dW(s) \right\}. \quad (2.42)$$

249 In the following theorem, we give (without proof) the equation satisfied by the state price
250 density θ_i and θ_i^* .

251 **Theorem 2.5.**

252 *Assume that the dynamic of the stock price is given by (2.42). Then the values of θ_i satisfying*
253 *the martingale condition (2.20) are reduced to*

$$\theta_i = \frac{\mu_i - r_i}{\sigma_i^2} \text{ for } i = 1, 2. \quad (2.43)$$

254 Moreover, θ_i^* in (2.23) satisfy the following system of nonlinear equations in (θ_1^*, θ_2^*) ,

$$\begin{aligned} &\frac{\sigma_1^4 t^2}{2} (\theta_1^*)^3 - \frac{(3\mu_1 - r_1)\sigma_1^2 t^2}{2} (\theta_1^*)^2 + \left(\sigma_1^2 t + \frac{(\mu_1 - r_1)(\sigma_1^2(t) + 2\mu_1)t^2 - a\sigma_1^2 t^2}{2} \right) \theta_1^*(t) \\ &+ \frac{a\sigma_2^2 t^2}{2} \theta_2^* - \left(\frac{(\mu_1 - r_1)^2 - a(\mu_1 - r_1) + a(\mu_2 - r_2)}{2} \right) t^2 - (\mu_1 - r_1)t = 0, \quad t \in [0, T] \end{aligned} \quad (2.44)$$

255 and

$$\begin{aligned} &\frac{\sigma_2^4 t^2}{2} (\theta_2^*)^3 - \frac{(3\mu_2 - r_2)\sigma_2^2 t^2}{2} (\theta_2^*)^2 + \left(\sigma_2^2 t + \frac{(\mu_2 - r_2)(\sigma_2^2 + 2\mu_2)t^2 - a\sigma_2^2 t^2}{2} \right) \theta_2^* \\ &+ \frac{a\sigma_1^2 t^2}{2} \theta_1^* - \left(\frac{(\mu_2 - r_2)^2 - a(\mu_2 - r_2) + a(\mu_1 - r_1)}{2} \right) t^2 - (\mu_2 - r_2)t = 0, \quad t \in [0, T]. \end{aligned} \quad (2.45)$$

256 *Proof.* See [22]. □

257 **2.5.2. The regime-switching Variance-Gamma model.** In this section we present the regime
 258 switching variance-gamma model. We obtain this model from the general model for the risky
 259 asset described in equation (2.6) by setting the dynamics of the process as

$$S(t) = S(0) \exp \left[\int_0^t \mu(s) ds + \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}} z \tilde{N}_{VG}^X(ds, dz) - \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}} (e^z - 1 - z) \rho_{VG}^X(dz) ds \right], \quad (2.46)$$

260 where the jump process $N_{VG}(\cdot, \cdot)$ has the predictable compensator

$$\rho_{VG}^X(dz) dt = \sum_{i=1}^2 \langle \mathbf{e}_i, X(t^-) \rangle \rho_i^{VG}(z) dt, \quad (2.47)$$

261 with the Lévy measure associated to the variance gamma process as

$$\rho_i^{VG}(z) = C_i \frac{e^{-G_i|z|}}{|z|} 1_{z < 0} + C_i \frac{e^{-M_i|z|}}{|z|} 1_{z > 0}. \quad (2.48)$$

262 We then have the following martingale conditions theorem

263 **Theorem 2.6.** Assume that the dynamic of the stock price is given by (2.46). Then the
 264 values of θ_i satisfying the martingale condition (2.20) are reduced to

$$\mu_i - r_i - C_i \log \left(\frac{G_i M_i}{(G_i + 1)(M_i - 1)} \right) + C_i \log \left(\frac{(G_i - \theta_i)(M_i + \theta_i)}{(G_i - \theta_i + 1)(M_i + \theta_i - 1)} \right) = 0 \quad (2.49)$$

265 for $i = 1, 2$. Moreover, θ_i^* in (2.23) satisfy the following system of nonlinear equations in
 266 (θ_1^*, θ_2^*)

$$\begin{aligned} & \left\{ \mu_1 - r_1 - C_1 \log \left(\frac{G_1 M_1}{(G_1 + 1)(M_1 - 1)} \right) + C_1 \log \left(\frac{(G_1 - \theta_1^*)(M_1 + \theta_1^*)}{(G_1 - \theta_1^* + 1)(M_1 + \theta_1^* - 1)} \right) \right\} \\ & \times \left\{ t + \frac{1}{2} t^2 \left[\mu_1 - r_1 - 2\theta_1^* \mu_1 + C_1 \log \left(\frac{G_1 M_1}{(G_1 - \theta_1^*)(M_1 + \theta_1^*)} \right) \right. \right. \\ & \quad \left. \left. + C_1 \log \left(\frac{G_1 M_1}{(G_1 - \theta_1^* + 1)(M_1 + \theta_1^* - 1)} \right) + (2\theta_1^* - 1) C_1 \log \left(\frac{G_1 M_1}{(G_1 + 1)(M_1 - 1)} \right) \right] - a \right\} \\ & + \frac{1}{2} a t^2 \left\{ \mu_2 - r_2 - C_2 \log \left(\frac{G_2 M_2}{(G_2 + 1)(M_2 - 1)} \right) + C_2 \log \left(\frac{(G_2 - \theta_2^*)(M_2 + \theta_2^*)}{(G_2 - \theta_2^* + 1)(M_2 + \theta_2^* - 1)} \right) \right\} = 0 \end{aligned} \quad (2.50)$$

267 and

$$\begin{aligned} & \left\{ \mu_2 - r_2 - C_2 \log \left(\frac{G_2 M_2}{(G_2 + 1)(M_2 - 1)} \right) + C_2 \log \left(\frac{(G_2 - \theta_2^*)(M_2 + \theta_2^*)}{(G_2 - \theta_2^* + 1)(M_2 + \theta_2^* - 1)} \right) \right\} \\ & \times \left\{ t + \frac{1}{2} t^2 \left[\mu_2 - r_2 - 2\theta_2^* \mu_2 + C_2 \log \left(\frac{G_2 M_2}{(G_2 - \theta_2^*)(M_2 + \theta_2^*)} \right) \right. \right. \\ & \quad \left. \left. + C_2 \log \left(\frac{G_2 M_2}{(G_2 - \theta_2^* + 1)(M_2 + \theta_2^* - 1)} \right) + (2\theta_2^* - 1) C_2 \log \left(\frac{G_2 M_2}{(G_2 + 1)(M_2 - 1)} \right) \right] - a \right\} \\ & + \frac{1}{2} a t^2 \left\{ \mu_1 - r_1 - C_1 \log \left(\frac{G_1 M_1}{(G_1 + 1)(M_1 - 1)} \right) + C_1 \log \left(\frac{(G_1 - \theta_1^*)(M_1 + \theta_1^*)}{(G_1 - \theta_1^* + 1)(M_1 + \theta_1^* - 1)} \right) \right\} = 0. \end{aligned} \quad (2.51)$$

268 *Proof.* See [20]. □

269 2.5.3. *The regime-Switching CGMY Model.* In this section we present the regime switching
 270 CGMY. This model is obtained from the general case by setting the dynamics of the risky
 271 process S as

$$S(t) = S(0) \exp \left[\int_0^t \mu(s) ds + \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}} z \tilde{N}_{CGMY}^X(ds, dz) - \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}} (e^z - 1 - z) \rho_{CGMY}^X(dz) ds \right], \quad (2.52)$$

272 where the jump process $N_{CGMY}^X(t; \cdot)$ has the predictable compensator

$$\rho_{CGMY}^X(dz) dt = \sum_{i=1}^2 \langle \mathbf{e}_i, X(t^-) \rangle \rho_i^{CGMY}(z) dt, \quad (2.53)$$

273 with the Lévy measure associated to the CGMY process as

$$\rho_i^{CGMY}(z) = C_i \frac{e^{-G_i|z|}}{|z|^{1+Y}} 1_{z < 0} + C_i \frac{e^{-M_i|z|}}{|z|^{1+Y}} 1_{z > 0}. \quad (2.54)$$

274 In the following theorem, we derive the equation satisfied by the state price density θ_i of
 275 the equivalent martingale measure \mathbb{Q}^{θ_i} when the price of risk in the regime switching model
 276 is not taken into account.

277 **Theorem 2.7** (Martingale condition without price of risk). *Assume that the dynamic of the*
 278 *stock price is given by (2.52). Moreover assume that the state price density θ_i is such that*
 279 *$0 < \theta_i < G_i$ and $M_i > 1$. Then $\theta_i(t)$ satisfies the following system of equations*

$$\begin{aligned} \mu_i - r_i + C_i \Gamma(-Y_i) & \left[(G_i - (\theta_i - 1))^{Y_i} - (G_i + 1)^{Y_i} - (G_i - \theta_i)^{Y_i} \right. \\ & \left. + G_i^{Y_i} + M_i^{Y_i} + (M_i + \theta_i - 1)^{Y_i} - (M_i - 1)^{Y_i} - (M_i + \theta_i)^{Y_i} \right] = 0 \\ & \text{for } i = 1, 2. \end{aligned} \quad (2.55)$$

280 *Proof.* Assume that S satisfies (2.52), then (2.20) is reduced to

$$\mu_i - r_i + \int_{\mathbb{R}} (e^z - 1)(e^{-z\theta_i} - 1) \nu_i(z) dz = 0, \quad i = 1, 2. \quad (2.56)$$

281 The integral term involved in equation (2.56) is computed as follows

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\mathbb{R}} (e^z - 1)(e^{-z\theta_i} - 1) \nu_i(z) dz &= \int_{\mathbb{R}} (e^z - 1)(e^{-z\theta_i} - 1) \left(C_i \frac{e^{-G_i|z|}}{|z|^{1+Y}} 1_{z < 0} + C_i \frac{e^{-M_i|z|}}{|z|^{1+Y}} 1_{z > 0} \right) dz \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^0 (e^z - 1)(e^{-z\theta_i} - 1) \frac{C_i \exp(G_i z)}{(-z)^{Y_i+1}} dz \\ &\quad + \int_0^{\infty} (e^z - 1)(e^{-z\theta_i} - 1) \frac{C_i \exp(-M_i z)}{(z)^{Y_i+1}} dz \\ &= I_1 + I_2. \end{aligned} \quad (2.57)$$

282 We shall now consider different cases

283 **Case 1;** $Y = 0$

284 This now becomes the variance gamma case. This case was discussed in the previous section.
 285 **Case 2;** $Y \neq 0$ We have that

$$\begin{aligned}
 I_1 &= \int_{-\infty}^0 \left(e^{-z(\theta_i-1)} - e^z - e^{-z\theta_i} + 1 \right) \frac{C_i e^{G_i z}}{(-z)^{Y_i+1}} dz \\
 &= C_i \left[\int_{-\infty}^0 \left(e^{G_i - z(\theta_i-1)} (-z)^{-1-Y_i} \right) dz - \int_{-\infty}^0 \left(e^{(G_i+1)z} (-z)^{-1-Y_i} \right) dz \right. \\
 &\quad \left. - \int_{-\infty}^0 \left(e^{(G_i-\theta_i)z} (-z)^{-1-Y_i} \right) dz - \int_{-\infty}^0 \left(e^{G_i z} (-z)^{-1-Y_i} \right) dz \right]. \tag{2.58}
 \end{aligned}$$

286 Put $w = -(G_i - (\theta_i - 1))z$, $w = -(G_i + 1)z$, $w = -(G_i - \theta_i)z$, $w = -G_i z$ in the first, second,
 287 third and fourth integral respectively, then using the definition of the gamma function, we
 288 get

$$I_1 = C_i \Gamma(-Y_i) \left[(G_i - (\theta_i - 1))^{Y_i} - (G_i + 1)^{Y_i} - (G_i - \theta_i)^{Y_i} + G_i^{Y_i} \right]. \tag{2.59}$$

289 In the same way, I_2 is solved explicitly using change of variable and the definition of the
 290 gamma function to get

$$I_2 = C_i \Gamma(-Y_i) \left[(M_i + \theta_i - 1)^{Y_i} - (M_i - 1)^{Y_i} - (M_i + \theta_i)^{Y_i} + M_i^{Y_i} \right]. \tag{2.60}$$

291 Combining (2.59) and (2.60), we get

$$\begin{aligned}
 \int_{\mathbb{R}} (e^z - 1)(e^{-z\theta_i} - 1) \rho_i(z) dz &= C_i \Gamma(-Y_i) \left[(G_i - (\theta_i - 1))^{Y_i} - (G_i + 1)^{Y_i} \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + G_i^{Y_i} - (G_i - \theta_i)^{Y_i} + (M_i + \theta_i - 1)^{Y_i} \right. \\
 &\quad \left. - (M_i - 1)^{Y_i} - (M_i + \theta_i)^{Y_i} + M_i^{Y_i} \right]. \tag{2.61}
 \end{aligned}$$

292 Substituting this into equation (2.56) gives us the desired result. \square

293 In the following theorem, we derive the equation satisfied by the state price density θ_i^* of
 294 the equivalent martingale measure $\mathbb{Q}_{\theta_i^*}$ when the price of risk in the regime switching model
 295 is taken into account.

296 **Theorem 2.8** (Martingale condition with price of risk). *Assuming that conditions of theorem*
 297 *(2.7) are satisfied. Then the state price densities $\theta_i^*(t)$ in (2.23) satisfy the following system*

298 of non linear equations in (θ_1^*, θ_2^*) ,

$$\begin{aligned}
& \left\{ \mu_1 - r_1 + C_1 \Gamma(-Y_1) \left[(G_1 - (\theta_1 - 1))^{Y_1} - (G_1 + 1)^{Y_1} - (G_1 - \theta_1)^{Y_1} \right. \right. \\
& \quad \left. \left. + G_1^{Y_1} + M_1^{Y_1} + (M_1 + \theta_1 - 1)^{Y_1} - (M_1 - 1)^{Y_1} - (M_1 + \theta_1)^{Y_1} \right] \right\} \\
& \times \left\{ t + \frac{1}{2} t^2 \left(\mu_1 - r_1 - 2\theta_1^* \mu_1 + C_1 \Gamma(-Y_1) \left[(G_1 - (\theta_1^* - 1))^{Y_1} \right. \right. \right. \\
& \quad \left. \left. + (G_1 - \theta_1^*)^{Y_1} + (2\theta_1^* - 1)(G_1 + 1)^{Y_1} - (2\theta_1^* + 1)G_1^{Y_1} + (M_1 + \theta_1^* - 1)^{Y_1} \right. \right. \\
& \quad \left. \left. + (M_1 + \theta_1)^{Y_1} + (2\theta_1^* - 1)(M_1 - 1)^{Y_1} - (2\theta_1^* + 1)M_1^{Y_1} \right] \right) - a \right\} \\
& + \frac{1}{2} t^2 a \left\{ \mu_2 - r_2 + C_2 \Gamma(-Y_2) \left[(G_2 - (\theta_2 - 1))^{Y_2} - (G_2 + 1)^{Y_2} + G_2^{Y_2} + M_2^{Y_2} \right. \right. \\
& \quad \left. \left. - (G_2 - \theta_2)^{Y_2} + (M_2 + \theta_2 - 1)^{Y_2} - (M_2 - 1)^{Y_2} - (M_2 + \theta_2)^{Y_2} \right] \right\} = 0 \quad (2.62)
\end{aligned}$$

299 and

$$\begin{aligned}
& \left\{ \mu_2 - r_2 + C_2 \Gamma(-Y_2) \left[(G_2 - (\theta_2 - 1))^{Y_2} - (G_2 + 1)^{Y_2} - (G_2 - \theta_2)^{Y_2} \right. \right. \\
& \quad \left. \left. + G_2^{Y_2} + M_2^{Y_2} + (M_2 + \theta_2 - 1)^{Y_2} - (M_2 - 1)^{Y_2} - (M_2 + \theta_2)^{Y_2} \right] \right\} \\
& \times \left\{ t + \frac{1}{2} t^2 \left(\mu_2 - r_2 - 2\theta_2^* \mu_2 + C_2 \Gamma(-Y_2) \left[(G_2 - (\theta_2^* - 1))^{Y_2} \right. \right. \right. \\
& \quad \left. \left. + (G_2 - \theta_2^*)^{Y_2} + (2\theta_2^* - 1)(G_2 + 1)^{Y_2} - (2\theta_2^* + 1)G_2^{Y_2} + (M_2 + \theta_2^* - 1)^{Y_2} \right. \right. \\
& \quad \left. \left. + (M_2 + \theta_2)^{Y_2} + (2\theta_2^* - 1)(M_2 - 1)^{Y_2} - (2\theta_2^* + 1)M_2^{Y_2} \right] \right) - a \right\} \\
& + \frac{1}{2} t^2 a \left\{ \mu_1 - r_1 + C_1 \Gamma(-Y_1) \left[(G_1 - (\theta_1 - 1))^{Y_1} - (G_1 + 1)^{Y_1} + G_1^{Y_1} + M_1^{Y_1} \right. \right. \\
& \quad \left. \left. - (G_1 - \theta_1)^{Y_1} + (M_1 + \theta_1 - 1)^{Y_1} - (M_1 - 1)^{Y_1} - (M_1 + \theta_1)^{Y_1} \right] \right\} = 0. \quad (2.63)
\end{aligned}$$

300 *Proof.* In this case, (2.40) and (2.41) are reduced to

$$\begin{aligned}
\tilde{\xi}_i(\theta_i^*(t)) - \xi_i(\theta_i^*(t)) &= \mu_i(t) - r_i(t) + C_i \Gamma(-Y_i) \left[(G_i - (\theta_i^*(t) - 1))^{Y_i} + G_i^{Y_i} \right. \\
& \quad \left. - (G_i + 1)^{Y_i} + M_i^{Y_i} - (G_i - \theta_i^*(t))^{Y_i} + (M_i + \theta_i^*(t) - 1)^{Y_i} \right. \\
& \quad \left. - (M_i - 1)^{Y_i} - (M_i + \theta_i^*(t))^{Y_i} \right], \quad (2.64)
\end{aligned}$$

301 and

$$\begin{aligned}
\tilde{\xi}_i(\theta_i^*(t)) + \xi_i(\theta_i^*(t)) &= \mu_i(t) - r_i(t) - 2\theta_i^*(t)\mu_i(t) + C_i \Gamma(-Y_i) \left[(G_i - \theta_i^*(t))^{Y_i} \right. \\
& \quad \left. + (G_i - (\theta_i^*(t) - 1))^{Y_i} + (2\theta_i^*(t) - 1)(G_i + 1)^{Y_i} \right. \\
& \quad \left. + (M_i + \theta_i^*(t) - 1)^{Y_i} + (M_i + \theta_i(t))^{Y_i} - (2\theta_i^*(t) + 1)G_i^{Y_i} \right. \\
& \quad \left. + (2\theta_i^*(t) - 1)(M_i - 1)^{Y_i} - (2\theta_i^*(t) + 1)M_i^{Y_i} \right], \quad (2.65)
\end{aligned}$$

302 respectively and the result follows. \square

The solutions to the martingale condition for \mathbb{Q}_{θ^*} are generally not unique and therefore we need to use some criteria to select the final Esscher parameters. These criteria are discussed in the Appendix.

3. NUMERICAL RESULTS AND DISCUSSIONS

In this section, we conduct numerical experiments for the models discussed in the previous sections; the regime switching Black-Scholes (Model I) and CGMY (Model II). We shall assume that there are two states of the economy i.e., $N = 2$. State 1 represents an expansion period while state 2 represents a recession period. We assume that the transition probability matrix is

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} -a_1 & a_1 \\ a_2 & -a_2 \end{pmatrix}, \text{ with } a_1 = a_2 = 0.5$$

3.1. Model I. We assume that the stock price is driven by a regime switching geometric Brownian motion.

Specific forms of time dependent interest rate and volatility. Here, we will extend the results and analysis in [22] to the time dependent interest rate and volatility that is, there are both functions of time. We refer the reader to [22] (see also [20]) in the case of constant parameters

In the following graphs, it is assumed that the exercise price is 100, the value of the asset is 120, and the expiry date is one year in the future. $t = T$ is known as the remaining life of an option. It is also assumed that there is a gradual trend for the parameter to move in a decreasing or increasing manner which might conveniently be regarded as continuous.

We write the two forms as,

(a) Constant model. The interest rates in the two regimes are given by

$$r_1(t) = a_1 \text{ and } r_2(t) = a_2.$$

(b) Linear model. The interest rates are given by

$$r_1(t) = a_1 + b_1 t \text{ and } r_2(t) = a_2 - b_2 t,$$

where a_1, a_2, b_1, b_2 are constants with $a_1 = a_2 = b_1 = b_2 = 0.05$.

We define the forms of volatility as;

(a) Constant model. Volatility in the two regimes are given by

$$\sigma_1(t) = b_1 \text{ and } \sigma_2(t) = b_4.$$

(b) Decaying model. The volatility is given by

$$\sigma_1(t) = b_1 + b_2 e^{-b_3 t} \text{ and } \sigma_2(t) = b_4 + b_5 e^{-b_6 t},$$

where $b_1, b_2, b_3, b_4, b_5, b_6$ are constants with $b_1 = 0.15, b_2 = b_5 = b_4 = 0.25$ and $b_3 = b_6 = 4$.

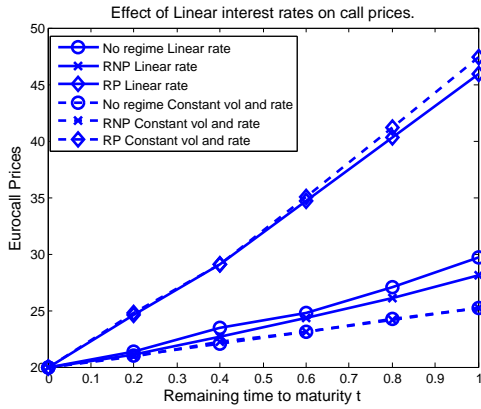


FIGURE 1. Effect of linear interest rates

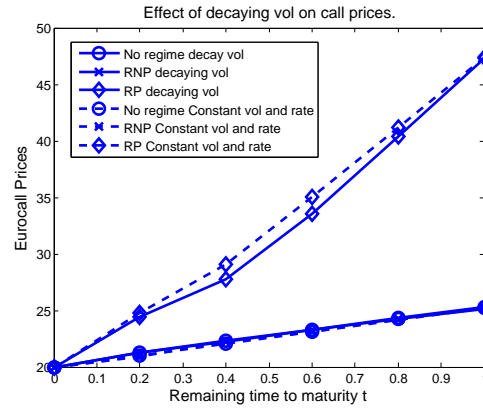


FIGURE 2. Effect of decaying volatility

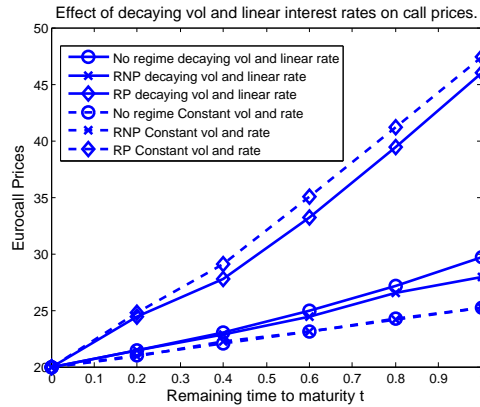


FIGURE 3. Effect of linear interest and decaying volatility

In Figure 1, while keeping the volatility constant, we investigate the impact on the option price of a variation in the form of interest rate when there is no regime (NR), the regime risk not priced (RNP) and the regime risk priced (RP), respectively. In Figure 2, the same study is made assuming that the interest rate is constant and the form of the volatility can change. Finally, in Figure 3, we looked at the impact of both linear interest rate and decaying volatility on the option prices in the case of NR, RNP and RP.

As shown in the graphs, the same qualitative results are observed over the lifetime of the option. The initial price of the option is affected in all the situations (NR, RNP and RP) by the change in the form of interest rate and volatility. When the interest is constant, the option price values are very closed during the option's lifetime irrespective of the form of volatility. Note also that, when the regime risk is priced, the option prices are lower when

the parameters are time dependent than those with constant parameters. The graphs also show that taking only into account the impact of the regime on the option prices leads to a completely different overall result. For example, the initial value of the option prices are increased substantially when the regime risk is priced. Moreover, during the lifetime of the option, the option prices with the regime risk priced are higher than those with regime risk not priced which are higher than those without regime risk considered.

3.2. Model II. In this section, we discuss the regime switching CGMY model. We cover in particular two cases: $Y = 0$ (known as the variance gamma (VG) model) and $Y \neq 0$. We refer the reader to [20] for the case $Y = 0$ with constants coefficients.

3.2.1. VG Case. We consider linear interest rates and analyse their effects on the call prices. We set

$$\begin{aligned} r_1 &= 0.05 + 0.05t \text{ and } r_2 = 0.01 - 0.005t, \\ C &= [3, 4], \quad G = [5, 6], \quad M = [10, 8], \\ S(0) &= 100, \quad X(0) = \mathbf{e}_1, \quad \mu = [0.35, 0.05]. \end{aligned}$$

We use the constant parameter case i.e., constant interest rates, as a marker. We define $t = T$ as the remaining time to maturity. We present the results of our simulation below.

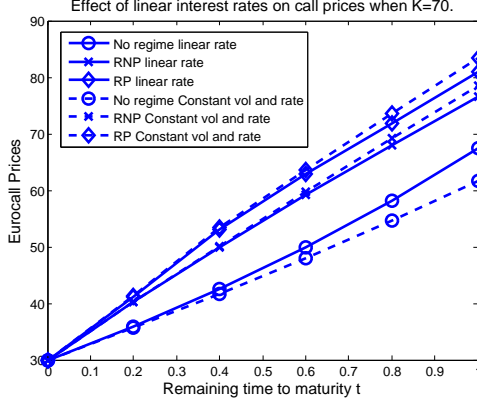


FIGURE 4. Effect of Linear rates on call prices when $K=70$

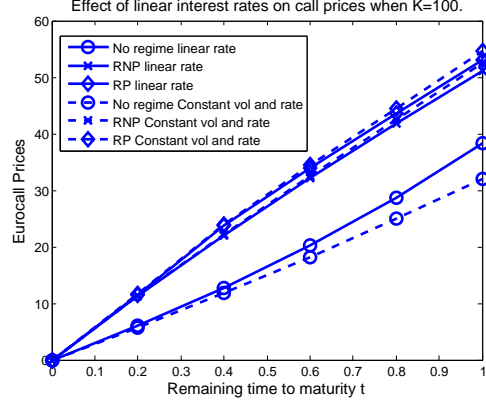


FIGURE 5. Effect of Linear rates on call prices when $K=100$

In Figure 4 and 5, we investigate the impact of a variation in the form of interest rate on the option price in three cases: no regime (NR), regime risk not priced (RNP) and regime risk priced (RP). The same conclusions as in the Black-Scholes regime switching model hold concerning the impact of the regime risk on the option prices. Note however that during the life time of the option, the difference in option prices when the regime is priced and when it is not are not significant.

352 3.2.2. *CGMY Case*. The simulation of this case proved to be more difficult than the former
 353 case. We have simulated the CGMY's with $Y > 0$. We shall give the results of our simulation
 354 in two examples. An algorithm for the simulation of the CGMY process can be found in [3].

355 (1): We assume that $Y \in (0, 1)$ and set the parameters to be

$$r = [0.05, 0.01], \mu = [0.35, 0.05],$$

$$C = [3, 4], G = [5, 6], M = [10, 8], Y = [0.5, 0.5]$$

$$S(0) = 100, X(0) = \mathbf{e}_1, K = \{70, 80, 90, 100, 110, 120, 130, 140, 150\}.$$

356 We plot graphs of Call prices across different strikes.

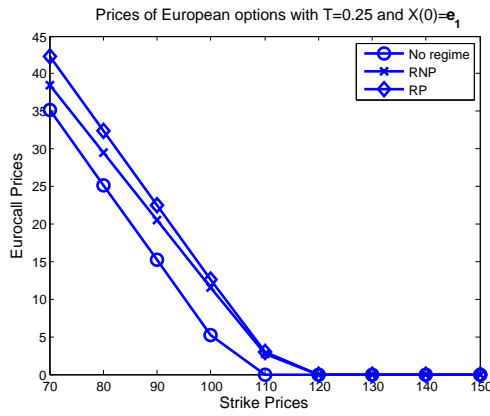


FIGURE 6. Call prices
across strikes when
 $T = 0.25$

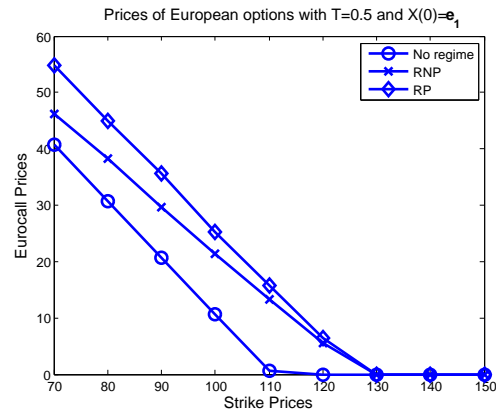


FIGURE 7. Call prices
across strikes when
 $T = 0.5$

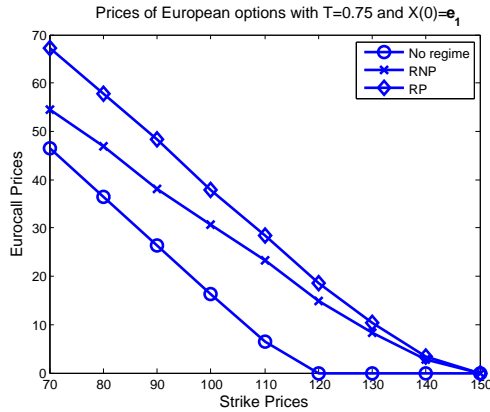


FIGURE 8. Call prices
across strikes when
 $T=0.75$

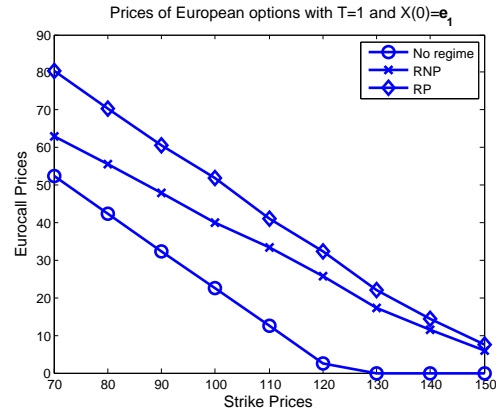


FIGURE 9. Call prices
across strikes when
 $T=1$

Figures 6- 9, depict the impact of a change in the regime on the option prices when the strike price changes and the interest rate is constant in three situations: no regime (NR), regime risk not priced (RNP) and regime risk priced (RP). The effect of the parameter Y is seen in this case. As shown in the graph, when the exercised time increases, the initial price of the option is substantially affected. For each time to maturity, as the strike price increases, the value of the option decreases. Contrarily to the Black-Scholes regime switching model (see [22]), the option prices with regime risk priced are higher than those with regime risk not priced regardless of the option maturity. .

Assume now that the interest rates are linear and set

$$r_1 = 0.05 + 0.05t \text{ and } r_2 = 0.01 - 0.005t.$$

We use the constant parameter case., i.e constant interest rates, as a marker.

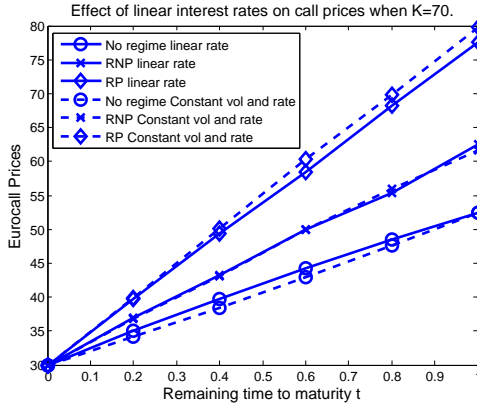


FIGURE 10. Effect of Linear rates on call prices when $K=70$

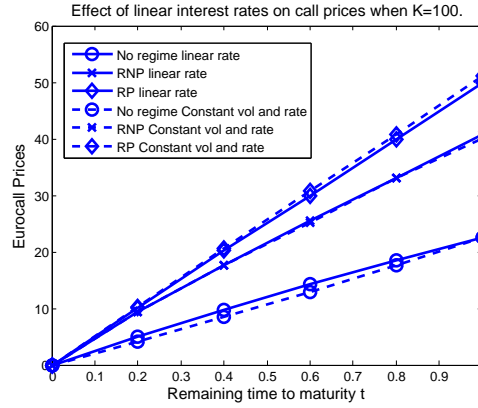


FIGURE 11. Effect of Linear rates on call prices when $K=100$

In Figures 10 and 11, we examine the impact that a change in the form of interest rate has on the option price. It can be seen that, there is no substantial impact of the form of interest rate in the three cases. However, there is a significant difference in the option prices when considering the impact of the regime risk. Once again, the initial value of the option price is considerably increased when the regime risk is priced, and during the lifetime of the option, its price when the regime risk is priced is higher than that when the regime risk is not priced which is higher than that when there is no regime.

Remark 3.1. When $Y \in (0, 1)$, the CGMY process is an infinite activity and finite variation process. This means that the path of the process has a similar behaviour to the path of the VG process.

4. CONCLUSION

In this paper, we use the pricing method developed in [22] to price options when the underlying assets are driven by a regime switching CGMY process with time dependent parameters. The theoretical results are given for general regime switching exponential Lévy model with time dependent parameters. The choice of the martingale pricing measure is

justified by the minimization of the maximum entropy. We conduct numerical experiments to investigate the effect of pricing regime-switching risk and the analysis shows a significant difference of values between prices of an European call when the regime-risk priced and when the regime risk not priced. We also observe that the regime risk is sensitive to market parameters like time dependent interest rates and volatilities with the sensitivity higher in the case of the Black-Scholes than in the Variance Gamma or CGMY cases.

We may explore the applications of our models to other types of options such as American options, barrier options, look back options, Asian options, Exotic options, option-embedded insurance products, etc. We may also extend our framework to include stochastic interest rates and volatility which would probably give higher values of the option prices.

APPENDIX A. CRITERIA FOR SELECTING ESSCHER PARAMETERS

As already mentioned systems of equations characterizing martingale condition for \mathbb{Q}_{θ^*} have in general more than one solution in $(\theta_1^*(t), \theta_2^*(t))$. Here, we present the selection criteria of the set of neutral Esscher parameters $(\theta_1^*(t), \theta_2^*(t))$ that minimizes the maximum entropy between an EMM and the real world probability measure over different states. The idea is from [22].

Define first the entropy between \mathbb{Q}_{θ^*} and \mathbb{P} conditional on $X(0) \in \{\mathbf{e}_1, \mathbf{e}_2\}$ as follows.

$$\begin{aligned} I(\mathbb{Q}_{\theta^*}, \mathbb{P}) &:= E^{\mathbb{P}} \left[\frac{d\mathbb{Q}_{\theta^*}}{d\mathbb{P}} \ln \left(\frac{d\mathbb{Q}_{\theta^*}}{d\mathbb{P}} \right) \middle| X(0) = \mathbf{e}_i \right] = E^{\mathbb{P}} \left[\Lambda_T^{\theta^*} \ln \Lambda_T^{\theta^*} \middle| X(0) = \mathbf{e}_i \right] \\ &= \frac{E^{\mathbb{P}} \left[- \int_0^T \theta(s) dY(s) e^{-\int_0^T \theta(s) dY(s)} \middle| X(0) = \mathbf{e}_i \right]}{E^{\mathbb{P}} \left[e^{-\int_0^T \theta(s) dY(s)} \middle| X(0) = \mathbf{e}_i \right]} \\ &\quad - \ln E^{\mathbb{P}} \left[e^{-\int_0^T \theta(s) dY(s)} \middle| X(0) = \mathbf{e}_i \right]. \end{aligned} \quad (\text{A.1})$$

Let $\Gamma := \{\theta^* \in \mathbb{R}^2 | \theta^* \text{ satisfies (2.38) and (2.39)}\}$ and denote by $I_M(\mathbb{Q}_{\theta^*}, \mathbb{P})$ the maximum entropy between \mathbb{Q}_{θ^*} and \mathbb{P} over the different values of $X(0)$, i.e.,

$$I_M(\mathbb{Q}_{\theta^*}, \mathbb{P}) := \max_{i=1,2} I(\mathbb{Q}_{\theta^*}, \mathbb{P} | X(0) = \mathbf{e}_i). \quad (\text{A.2})$$

One can show as in [22] that

$$\begin{aligned} I(\mathbb{Q}_{\theta^*}, \mathbb{P} | X(0) = \mathbf{e}_i) &:= E^{\mathbb{P}} \left[\frac{d\mathbb{Q}_{\theta^*}}{d\mathbb{P}} \ln \left(\frac{d\mathbb{Q}_{\theta^*}}{d\mathbb{P}} \right) \middle| X(0) = \mathbf{e}_i \right] \\ &= \frac{\langle e^{\int_0^T (A + \text{diag}(\xi_i^k(\theta_i^*(t)))) dt} X(0), \mathbf{1}_2 \rangle}{\langle e^{\int_0^T (A + \text{diag}(\xi_i(\theta_i^*(t)))) dt} X(0), \mathbf{1}_2 \rangle} - \ln \langle e^{\int_0^T (A + \text{diag}(\xi_i(\theta_i^*(t)))) dt} X(0), \mathbf{1}_2 \rangle. \end{aligned} \quad (\text{A.3})$$

The selected $(\theta_1^*(t), \theta_2^*(t))$ shall be solution to the following problem: Find $(\hat{\theta}_1^*(t), \hat{\theta}_2^*(t)) \in \Gamma$ such that

$$I_M(\mathbb{Q}_{\hat{\theta}^*}, \mathbb{P}) = \min_{\theta^* \in \Gamma} I_M(\mathbb{Q}_{\theta^*}, \mathbb{P}), \quad (\text{A.4})$$

with $\Gamma := \{\theta^* \in \mathbb{R}^2 | \theta^* \text{ satisfies (2.38) and (2.39)}\}$

APPENDIX B. SIMULATION PROCEDURE

In this section, we discuss the simulation procedure. We adopt a straight forward Monte-Carlo procedure in order to obtain simulation approximations for the European call price. Suppose we want to evaluate the price of a European call option at the current time $t = 0$ with maturity T and strike price K . We note that the call option $C(0, S(0), X(0))$ can be evaluated as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} C(0, X(0), S(0)) &= E^{\theta^*} \left[\exp \left(- \int_0^t r(u) du \right) (S(T) - K)^+ \right] \\ &= E^{\mathbb{P}} \left[\frac{d\mathbb{Q}_{\theta^*}}{d\mathbb{P}} \exp \left(- \int_0^t r(u) du \right) (S(T) - K)^+ \middle| S(0), X(0) \right]. \end{aligned} \quad (\text{B.1})$$

We assume that the process S is simulated over a discrete grid. To achieve this, we divide the time horizon $[0, T]$ into J subintervals $[t_j, t_{j+1}]$ for $j = 0, 1, \dots, J-1$ of equal length $\Delta = \frac{T}{J}$ where $t_0 = 0$ and $t_J = T$.

For the discrete-time version of the Markov chain X , we suppose that the transition probability matrix in a subinterval is $I + \mathbf{A}\Delta$ given $X(0)$.

Given the simulated path of X , the sample paths of the processes $\{\mu(t_j)\}_{j=1}^J$, $\{\sigma(t_j)\}_{j=1}^J$, $\{\theta(t_j)\}_{j=1}^J$ and $\{r(t_j)\}_{j=1}^J$ are identified. Then, we can now use these to construct a Euler forward discretization scheme to discretize the log return process Y as follows

$$\begin{aligned} Y(t_{j+1}) &= Y(t_j) + \Delta * (\mu(t_j) - \frac{1}{2}\sigma^2(t_j)) + \Delta * \int_{\mathbb{R}} (e^z - 1 - z)\rho^{X(t_j)}(dz) \\ &\quad + \sigma(t_j) * \xi * \sqrt{\Delta} + \tilde{J}_j^X(t_{j+1}) - \tilde{J}_j^X(t_j). \end{aligned} \quad (\text{B.2})$$

where $\xi \sim N(0, 1)$ and

$$\tilde{J}_j^X(t) = \int_{\mathbb{R}} z J_j^X(t; dz) - \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{R}} z \rho^{X(t_j)}(dz) dt. \quad (\text{B.3})$$

Given $\{X(t_j)\}_{j=1}^J$ and $Y(0) = 0$, we then sample $\{Y(t_j)\}_{j=1}^J$ using (B.2) recursively. The Monte Carlo simulation procedure can be found in [22].

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